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THE SUN.

markable story. Inasmuch as Mrs. Barrett has written many letters of the same purport as that quoted, the friends of all concerned have realized that it was unwise to keep the facts from general knowledge.

Judge Barrett said yesterday that while he deeply regretted the necessity for making pub-He the most painful experience in his life, yet he had nothing whatever to conceal. "It is true," he said, "that my wife is in a private retreat for the insane at Dresden, and that she has written many letters to her friends and my friends such as are described in that despatch. I avoided placing any restraint upon her as long as it was possible-until, in fact, it was urged by the authorities, and now the restrictions upon her liberty are as light as it is pos-sible to make them. It is by my instructions that she is allowed to send such letters. I directed Dr. Pearson, in whose care she is, to place no restrictions whatever upon her correspondence, and letters similar to that one have been received by Judge Brady, Judge Davis, and others of my friends here." The history of Mrs. Barrett's malady and the

nature of her delusions are peculiar. She married Judge Barrett in this city more than twenty years ago. She was then the widow of a Cuban gentleman who died about three years after her marriage to him. She was a woman of brilliant attainments, an accomplished linguist, and in her rather atraitened circumstances after the death of her first husband she supported herself and her daughter Gertrude by giving instruction in Spanish and other languages. Judge Barrett was a young practising lawyer when he married her and some few years her junior. They lived happily some years, and a daughter, Angela, was their

only child.

Nearly fifteen years ago Judge Barrett first noticed peculiarities of his wife's mind which suggested derangement. The first manifestation was an inordinate leadous, which was unceasing in its intensity and application. Finally she accused her husband of bigamy. She declared that she was not his lawful wife: that he had previously married a young woman of their acquaintance against whom she manifested feelings of most intense hatred. She employed detectives to shadow both her husband and the young woman, and she consulted lawyers about the matter, proclaiming her charges broadcast among her friends and those of her husband. She told her husband that she had discovered through detectives all abour his previous relations with the young woman, and she named the time and place of the alleged marriage. Judge Barrett endeavored to caim his wife's mania hyreason, He himself and his friends showed the doulded woman that the young woman whom she hated was a child of only 12 nears at the time she said she matried her husband, and other proof of the haselessenses of her matter processes of her matter to the said she matried her husband, and other proof of the haselessenses of her matter processes and the pressure of the abstentions and the said she matried her husband, and other proof of the haselessenses of her matter time she said she matried her husband, and other proof of the baselessenses of her matter processes and the pressure of the abstentions and the said she matried her husband, and other proof of the baselessenses of her matter processes and the processes of her matter processes and the proof of the baselessenses of her matter processes and the proof of the baselessenses of her matter processes and the processes of her matter processes and the proof of the baselessenses of her matter processes and the processes of her matter processes and the processes and the processes of her matter processes and the processes of her matter processes and the processes of her matter processes and the processes of employed detectives to shadow both her husband and the young woman, and she consulted lawyers about the matter, proclaiming her charges bloadcast among her friends and those of her husband. She told her husband that she had discovered through detectives all about his previous relations with the young woman, and she named the time and place of the alleged marriage. Judge Barrett endeavored to caim his wife's mania by reason. He himself and his friends showed the doluded woman that the young woman whom she hated was a child of only 12 cars at the time she said she matried her husband, and other proto of the baselossness of her suspicions was supplied her. For a day or two she would be calined and satisfied by such a demonstration of facts, but the delusion invariably fixed in her mind. Then there came new and more startling hallucinations. She became sonvinced that her life was in danger, and that hidden enemies were plotting her assassination. Her suspicions of her husband became stronger and took new forms. At the same time she remained to all appearance a more than ordinarily charming and brilliant woman, in whom the casual friend or acquaintance could detect no trace of mental derangement. When his wife's peculiarlities finally intensified, Judge Barrett said to a well-known physician, who knew Mrs. Barrett well:

"Doctor, Mrs. Barrett sellousy might perhaps be accounted for on a same basis, but these latest delicinons mean insanity."

"Have you just found that out? Your friends have realized it for a long time. It is a wonder she has been free from it so long considering her family history."

"Is there insanity in the family?"

"Certainly, She is the only sane one among them."

"Well I thought you tell me that before?"

"Certainty. She is the that before?"
"Why didn't you tell me that before?"
"Well. I thought you were the lunatic when you married her, and I supposed you knew it long before this."

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Judge Parrett made inquiries, and was appalled by the result. His wife's grandmother on her lather's side died insane. Her father was known in Boston, where he lived, as the erray poet. He wrote some brilliant things, but he was afflicted with melanchely of the Edgar Alian Poe type. Her mother died of scitening of the brain in the insane asylum on Blackwell's Island. Her sister has been for twenty-five years an inmade of the Government asylum at Georgetown. D. O. suffering with precisely the same delusions which now afflict Mrs. Barrett. One of her brothers died in his youth while insane, and a second brother died later in a public insane hospital.

Mrs. istrett's mania was such that the presence of her husband proved a serious aggravation of it, and accordingly he allowed her to go abroad, about ten years ago, in the company of her two daughters. She has remained in kurope ever since, and has refused every possible inducement to return that could be made to her. The growth of her malajy was very slow, and its existence remained impersorbible to all except those who became intimately associated with her. She became convinced that emissaries of her husband were endeavoring to poison her, and she took many and often absurd precautions for her protection against various plots. She kept continually travelling from place to place, as she suspected one person after another of conspiring against her life. Her condition became such a source of anxiety to her daughters, and her movements were so erratic, that the strain became greater than they could bear. Finally Gertrude the elder, was a tracked by hemo-rhage about three years ago, and Judge Barrett, sent for her to come home. Gertrude came against the protests of her mother. Mrs. Barrett imagined that there was a plot to deprive her of her chill, and she wrote as many as tiffy letters to friends of Judge farrett, declaring that the first had been shdurted and carried a

Colorado, where she died a few months agd of consumption.

Nearly three years ago the health of Angela. Judge Barrett's own daughter, began to give way under the strain of her mother's companionship and eccentricities, and her father was obliged to send for her to come home. The stituation is then became a terribly trying one for Judge Barrett. He said yeaterlay:

"I above for six menths, using every persuasion at my command, to induce are partect to come home with our daughter. I offered her anything she might ask. If she feared i was her enamy she might live in apartments of her own; yes, and might have toth her children to live with her, so that I should see them occasionally. Her friends urged her just as earnestly, and she made a pretence of yielding, but when the day for sailing came she refused to go on board the ship. She had at no time intended to as she afterward wrote, when she beyged to be excused for her prevariention. She declared rejected that she would be killed on the occash if she should venture to return to America or i not that she would er tailly be assassinated on the dock as soon as the ship arrived. Nothing has sever shaken that idea in her mind, and she repeated it again and again in her letters.

MRS. BARRET'S INSANITY,

THE STORY OF HER DELUSIONS AND

BER CONFINEMENT NEAR DEEDENS.

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with funds, sent me this cable despatch, which they had received from their Paris house: "United States Consul Dresden, writes; Mrs. Harrett, payee check 37,678, insens. Should be placed in

asylum.

"I cabled at once to Consul Joseph T. Mason at Dresden, asking for particulars and telling him to do whatever was right and proper. On July 11 came this reply:

"Her physical condition good and well provided for. However, ahe is laboring under great excitement and, no doubt, derangement. What do you wish done?

" I sent this reply to that inquiry:

Consult experts Place in retreat if proper. \* The answer that came was:

"Decers see no immediate danger, but she fears persecution and should be cared for by her family,
"I reolied that she had no family except my daughter and myself, and that it was impossible for us to reach and care for her. It was impossible for us to reach and care for her. It was impossible as you know, for me to leave my court duties last summer and go to Europe. I consuited Mr. Dulon of Salomon & Dulon. He cabled to my friend ex-Gov. Edward Salomon, who was then in Europe, not far from Dresden, lie knew something previously about Mrs. Barrett's condition, and we asked him to go to Dresden, see the Consul and the dectors, and attend to the whole matter. Gov. Salomen did this very efficiently. He learned that the attention of the authorities had been drawn to her through her applying to Consul Mason for protection as an American from assarsins who were on her track. I asked that the Saxon authorities might make a full examination of the matter, so that everything done should be open and above board. Mrs. Barrett was examined by experts, and was then placed in the care of Dr. Pearson, an English physician who is at the head of one of the best private retreats for the insane in Europe."

It has been learned subsequently that Mrs. Barrett applied to Dr. Alexander Villers, a prominent physician of Dresden, a few days before her application to Consul Mason. She was then in a serious physical condition, owing to the strange antidotes she had taken to counteract the poison which she said had been administered to her. She was then drinking daily a pint of vinegar and large quantities of thack coffee, and she constantly inhaled strong camphor. Dr. Villers sent this interesting statement about his patient's strange delusions:

Mrs. Barrett of New York suffers from privary insanity with the delusion of peng persected. The patient's Doctors see no immediate danger, but abe fears recution and should be cared for by her family.

could not be questioned, that the nation I came from a family in which insanity was hereditary, and that thus far she had evaded every attempt of the family to take her under their care. He had evaded every attempt of the family to take her under their care. So the far she had evaded every attempt of the family to take her under their care. From her present comparatively caim state of mind to sue of greater excitability, that she will then certainly be troublescene to hose around her, that she may readily become dangerous to herself, that her judgment has been weakened to a degree apparantly that she cannot withstand the pressure of her detusions, I am of opinion that the patient requires continuous watching. Her family osing far away from here and as the patient requires continuous watching. Her family osing far away from here and as the patient evoud seek to evade the watchtulness of others she can only be benefited through admission into an asylum for the orea darket to specifyly placed in an asylum for the orea darket to specifyly placed in an asylum for a died the further progress of the disease and the probable length of time necessary for her detention, I could not form an opinion.

In order that nothing which could possibly contribute to his wife's wellars might be left undone Judge Barrett persuaded his daughter, with her governess, to go to Dresden in October. He asked her to see that everything necessary for her comfort was provided, and to consider whether it would add to her mother's happiness if she should remain with her for a time. "Hemembering the effect of the previous companionship on my daughter's health, I do not think I should have consented to her devoting herself to her mother's care, even if she had been willing to undertake it. But I think so much of personal liberty that I fet that if there was any way on earth to avoid placing my wife undertake it. But I think so much of the personal interty that I fet that if there was any for her after the hotel. An attendant came with her, and bef "She is undow teadly means, and Dr Pearson says there is no possibility of her mental condition improving, she will always be intaine. I pluy her with all my heart, but I never dreamed or such a thing as living with manuma and in ever wish to do so. I would deavy hing I not do help her and be kind to her. But if you consider her afterly it trove me down before you will not ask it of the.

you consider her after that I cannot ask such a sacrifice of the child and as I sale before. I would not really permit it if she were willing, Mrs. Barrett is still able to maintain a logical and perfectly sane attitude in any matter not connected with her defusions. Even in them she is most plausible. I have here a letter, pitiful in its pleading, which it would almost break a man's heart to read, which she wrote to Mrs. Pearson, the wife of the physician in whose charge she is. The doctor and his wife have completely won her confidence, and she tells them that she beels quite sale from her enumes while an her their protection. One of her whims is that every article of bed lines and lines dothing which she uses shall be entirely new and shall be used but once, in order to protect her against poisonors. The gratification of this whim made a heavy item of excense for a time, but now they hand or her doing the articles up after they are wa-hed to appear as if they had just been purchased. This letter I speak of to Mrs. Pearson was an appeal to her to personally purchase all these articles, in order that to conspirator might and nocess to them before also asset them. In the letter she argues pitifully that, after all, Airs, Pearson must admit there is a hare possibility that she is right about the plots against her life. If she was right, she certainly deserved all the pity and sympathy that any one could give her. On the

bus, Cincinnati, and Cleveland newspapers are execution. seized and electioneered for all candidates. It is no longer a question of which candidate

acized and electioneered for all candidates shall win, but the very bitterest and most contemptible warfare is now being waged against Calvin 8. Brice. The field is arrayed against him, but he is greater than the field, and has more votes than all the other candidates put together. It is something like the old ery of 1872. "Anything to beat Grant."

John W. Book walter of Springfield has shied his castor into the ring, and his friends say he will have five votes on the first ballot, and that he will grow in strength as the balloting proceeds. Congressman Georgy E. Senew will be here this week, and, it is said, will open a literary bureau. Seney has entered the field rather late in the day, and his section of the state, the northwest, is solid for Brice. The light against Brice is made almost entirely on his residence, his enemies saying that he is a citizen of New York. HE SUN correspondent has known Brice for the past twenty-five years (twelve of that time while both lived at Lima), and knows that he has property there, tays taxes, and votes in Lima. Brice and all his relatives live in Lima, and he has been voted for twice as Presidential Elector on the Democratic ticket from Ohio, in 1876 and 1884, and has attended nearly every State and Consress convention in his own district for years. Ex-Gov. Hoadly's affidavit on Brice's citzenship has helped the National Democratic Chairman.

Thomas and McMahon are making a very bitter fight against Brice, and are saying mean things about him, but Brice is not retailating. Hundreds of Democrate will be here in the next week working like beavers for their candidate or Senator, and all the rooms at the prominent hotels have been engaged. Brice could set the nomination on the first ballot this way: Whole number of votes in the caucus, 79; necessary to a choice, 40; Brice, 33; Thomas, 12; McMahon, 12; Bookwaiter, 5; Hunt, 5; McGweney, 3; Warwick, 3; James E. Neal, 2; Seney, 4.

The Chneinant Commercial-Gazette and John Sherman are fighting Brice and abusing him, and are dail shall win, but the very bitterest and most con-

#### SCHEME OF MARELAND DEMOCRATS To Redistrict the State so as to Insure Them Five Congressmen.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.-Republicans are nery much alarmed over the announcement that the Legislature will redistrict the State so as to insure the election of five Democratic Congressmen and make the city of Baltimore solidly Democratic. The Democrats make no concealment of their purpose. A plan was outlined two years ago, and a bill providing for a change in the Congress districts passed the House, but it hung fire in the Senate, owing to the opposition of Democrats whose countries the opposition of Democrats whose countries are the opposition of Democrats whose countries the opposition of Democrats whose countries are the opposition of Democrats whose coun the session. thus giving its opponents every opportunity to delay its passage. Having profited by their expense, the Democrats will secure action on the bill early in the session, and, as it is to be made a party measure, its passage is assured.

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Aside from any advantage that will accrue to the Democrats, there is need of a redistricting of the State, especially in the city of Baltimore, Since the last division of territory the population has shifted in such a manner that there is a difference of from 1,000 to 2,000 voters in some of the wards. In some precincts there are more than 1,200 registered voters, while in others there are not more than one-third that number. In the counties, too, the districts are disproportionately divided. The Democrats promised before the last election that they would pass a new election law satisfactory to every one, and they propose to fulfil that pledge, but they at the same time will see to it that the precincts, wards, and districts throughout the State shall be so divided that the people are more fairly represented, and when this has been done the Fourth district, which is now represented in Congress by a Kepublican, and the Fifth, which is close, may be counted upon as Democratic, while the Sixth which is largely Republican, will be resonorced by voters who will make the Republican majority greater than heretofore. In the enforced by voters who will make the Republican majority greater than heretofore. In the city the precincts and wards, when rearranged, will give the Democrats the representation to which they are justly entitled. Of course the Republicans strongly protest, but their objections will be of no avail. The Legislature meets on Wednesday, when the Governor's message goes in. It looks now as though senator Wilson will succeed himself in the United States Senate.

### THE " SOONERS" MUST GO.

Bloodshed Predicted in Okinhoma When

the Spring Elections are Held. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.-Ex-City Marshal John J. Leary of Guthrie, in the Oklahoma country, has come home to visit his mother, at 838 North Twelfth street. He will remain during the holidays. Marshal Leary has had a varid experience in the West. He has spent a large part of his time in California and the new State of Montana. He was one of the first to the Oklahoma country on the day when it was legally opened by the President's proclamation, and thinks that the stormlest proclamation, and thinks that the stormlest days of the new country are yet to come. In conversation with a reporter Mr. Leary said.

"I am going back in a few weeks, because I want to be there for the spring elections. There will be trouble then, sure. The legitimate sattlers are determined to rout out what they term the sooners. A sconer' is any man who came late the district and occupied and before moon on the day on which the President's proclamation opened the country. They have virtually preëmpted the choicest lands, and the people are determined that they shall be turned out." turned out."
To indicate what the citizens of Guthrie were
termined to do in this matter, Mr. Leary
owed this circular, which is being widely
coulated.

A non-partias mass meeting will be held to-night at the Land Office to take measures to secure just laws from Congress in our city and Territorial affairs. This is a meeting opposed to those who entered the Territory in violation of law and the Fresident's proclamation opening (witahoma. Let the people come out and shake off the industree of those who defice the Federal bower and secured possession of the test city lots.

Mr. Leary said: "I fear there will be a great deal of blood shed in and around Guthrie when election time comes on. The best and mest deturnined element is opposed to the 'sooners,' and is dead set on turning them out. The 'sooners,' on the other hand, are just as determined Committee for their own protection. They came into the land ahead of time on a line of the fastest and best horses that could be purchased in Chicago, When the regular settlers begin to plant their crops next spring, there will be a great many men killed." THE SCONERS MUST GO:

Asthma and Shortness of Breath by all druggists' at 25g. and 59c. pag box......dag.

### BROOKLYN ANARCHIST

ALBERT MAISER SETS OUT TO KIL HIS FORMER EMPLOYER.

He Gets into His Cellar at Night, Turas Off the Gas, and When Mr. Stedfeders Comes Down to Examine the Meter He Shoots Him on Sight-Mis Confession, Frederick W. Stedfeders, a German baker, of 301 Floyd street. Brooklyn, had a narrow escape vesterday morning. He has carried on

business at the above place for several years. and has had frequent troubles with his employees. Strikes have occurred three or four times. The men complained that Stedfeders overworked and underpaid them, and they made charges against him before the Bakers' Union, and succeeded in having his name enrolled on the list of the "boycotted." He managed to survive the boycott, having had little difficulty in employing non-union bakers. Threats of violence had often been made against him, one, it is said, being to the effect that he and his family would be burned up in their beds some night it he did not come to terms. He went about his business, however, without paying much attention to these threats. Something occurred early resterday morning which has convinced him that it was the intentor, to succeed Henry B. Payne. The Colum- tion of his enemies to carry the threats into

> It was near midnight on Saturday night when he closed up the store and retired to his bedroom directly over it on the second floor. His wife and youngest child, his four-year-old daughter Lulu, were already asleep, and the two other children, aged 12 and 9 years, were sleeping in the hall bedroom adjoining, the

daughter Lulu, were aiready asleep, and the two other children, aged 12 and 9 years, were sleeping in the hall bedroom adjoining, the connecting door between the rooms being ones. Stedfeders's duties necessitate his rising before daylight, and it is his custom to leave the gas jet in his bedroom lighted. When he went to bed yesterday morning the gas jet was lighted as usual. About 3 o clock his little daughter awoke him and told him that the gas had just gone out. Mr. Stedfeders quickly arose, and, lighting a match, placed it to the gas jet. He was surprised to find that he could not light the gas, and he assured himself by placing his nose to the jet that it was not escaping. Pulling on his irousers, he hurried down stairs to the ceilar to examine the meter.

Just as he passed through the cellar door, with a lighted lamp in his hand, he heard a rustling among the barrels, as if someone was trying to conceal himself. Placing the lamp on the top of one of the barrels, he was about to search for the supposed intruder when there was a report of a pistol and the flash of the powder so close to his face that it duzed him for an instant. Before he could recover his senses a man brushed past him, and, rushing up the cellar stairs to the street. escaped.

It was not until his assailant had fled that Mr. Stedfeders discovered that blood was dripping from his throat. The builet ploughed its way through the flesh, but inilicted only a slight wound. As quickly as possible he made his way upstairs and told what had occurred to his wife and children, who were in a state of intense alarm over the report of the pistol. Then he lost no time in hurrying to the Flushing avenue police station, where he reported the facts. Capt. Martin, Detective Weiser, and Polceman Downey returned with him to the house and made a search of the cellar, They found a Derby hat behind one of the barrels which his wife. As 803 Park avenue, detailed Detective Weiser and brolleem house had been married only three days before, occupied the front rooms on

In turning from Park avenue into Hopkins street he stumbled and fell in the gutter, and before he had straightened himsell up to renew his light the officers had pounced upon him. He was then handcuffed and taken to the station. He is 27 years old and he has been in this country two years. Since he was discharged by Mr. Stedfeders, four months ago, he has been working in this city. He had not been long in the station until he made a full confession to Capt. Martin of his attempt to kill his former emcloyer. He said that Stedfeders had aroused his hate by his Ill-treatment and abuse, and especially by the way he belittled him in saloon—and he fully made up his mind to kill him. He went to the cellar, he said, and turned off the gas, being confident that Stedfeders, as soon as he discovered that there was some trouble with the gas, would go to the cellar. He denied that there was any other person connected with him in the matter, or that he had any other purpose except revence. It is the impression of the police authorities that Maiser's intention was to turn on the gas again and suffocate his intended victim, utterly regardless of the consequences to his wife and children. It is also thought that robbery may have been intended, as from papers found in the prisoner's pockets it appeared that he was in arrears accupie of hundred dollars for furfiller he had purchased on the installment plan in anticipation of his marriage.

#### YOUNG TERRELL ARRESTED. Miss Lillie Cook's Alleged Betrayer Found

in Saratoga County. Howard F. Terrell, who, as alleged, is impli-

cated in the death of Miss Lillie N. Cook. a saleslady in the Universal, in Brooklyn, which resulted a few days ago from malpractice at resulted a few days ago from malpractice at her home. 11 Debevoise place, has been arrested. He was tracked to Saratoga county by Police Captain Cambbell, and trought back last night by a detective. He is the son of a wealthy truckman in Biooklyn. For a couple of years he had been very attentive to Miss Cook, and he was seen in her company the day preceding her tatai illness. He disclaims all knowledge of the circumstances attending her death.

Dr. Van Zele, the attendant physician, who disapneared when he learned that Coroner Rooney had advised an autopey in the case, has not yet been arrested, but the police are confident that he will be in custody before the close of the week.

## A LIVE MAN IN A COFFIN.

The Body Was Sent by Rail to His Son, When Signs of Life Were Pound. SPRINGFIELD, O., Dec. 29 .- Capt. Jacob

Garrett received a telegram on last Saturday night announcing the sudden death of his father at Sandusky. The cause assigned for his death was an epiloptic fit. Mr. Garrett left at once for Columbus where the funeral was to be held, and awaited the arrival of the remains. He and other relatives received the body, which had been shipped in the care of a relative. The coffin was opened or a last look, when signs of life were perceived.

Best rative, were brought and a physician summoned, and in a short time the supposed dead man was able to speak, he was taken to a bed, and now lies there very weak and ill, but still alive, and his relatives are not without hope that he may yet be wrested from death's grip. father at Sandusky. The cause assigned for

She Is a Collector of Pawn Tickets About Dec. 15 Elizabeth Stanwood of 72 East Righty-seventh street bired Margaret Hans as a servant. Marcaret acceptum, and when this was discovered she was told that she must go. Silver and clothing valued at \$185 insappears; with her, she was accested at the actor Plans House on Naturday, she had twenty four pawn tickets in her possession, and it is thought that she has robbed other suppoyers, she was remanded yesterday at the Harlem Police Court.

The Discott shed Eric Employees. The Erie Railroad engineers did not meet resterday, as was anticipated, to discuss the work done by the Grievance Committees of the engineers, firemen,

For twenty-five years the standard,-Ada,

MARCH OF THE INFLUENZA.

No Improvement in Paris-New Symptoms Observed in Germany.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The epidemic of influenza continues in Paris, and there are no signs of an improvement. In Munich the disease is increasing. In Berlin it is accompanied by dengue fever, not affecting the nose, larynx, or windpipe, but attended by rheumatism and a rise in temperature to about 104. The symptoms disappear in three days. Many of the officers of the Berlin garrison are affected, and about one-third of the military workmen at Spandau are ill with the disease.

Madrip, Dec. 29.—The influenza continues

to spread, and has appeared in most of the large towns of Spain.

A PATAL CASE IN PHILADELPHIA. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—The first death from influenza in Philadelphia was reported to-day. It was John McLaughlin, 8 years of age, who lived at 721 Webb street. The immediste cause of death, according to the physician's certificate, was pneumonia, but the doctor says pneumonia developed from grippe." Dr. W. N. N. Naylor of the Howard Hospital had been attending the child for two days, and prior to that the case had been in the hands of Dr. Robert Coyle of South Sixteenth street. There is a conflict of opinion between the two physicians about the symptoms developed by the child when first attacked. Dr. Coyle said last night that he did not discover any of the symptoms of influenza. He thought the boy was suffering with tonsilitis. Dr. Narlor, on the other hand, is confident that the child was first stricken with the

"He had all the symptoms of the grip," said Dr. Naylor, "The severe headache, sore Dr. Naylor. "The severe headache, sore throat, pain in the back, and watery eyes. The child was delicate, and the cold settled on its lungs, developed pneumonis, and death followed. The best evidence to me that the child was first stricken with la grippe is the fact that a brother and sister are now suffering with it. These cases, however, are not dangerous. Then there are three cases next door This is, so lar as I know, the first death in the city that can be traced to the influenza."

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Baltimore, Dec. 29.—Health Commissioner Stewart has issued a statement with reference to the influenza epidemic. He says: "Although the Beard of Health would not yet be justified in pronouncing it epidemic in Baltimore, there is every reason for sounding the note of warning to all who are suffering from these symptoms, or who may be immediately exposed to the contaction. Public attention should be called to the fact that during the wesk ending Dec. 21 twenty-one deaths from pneumonia were reported, and during the present week 28 deaths from the same cause were reported. So large a number of deaths from pneumonia, when the temporature has at no time during the last two months fallen below 29° and 34° respectively, with a mean temporature of 44° and 52° respectively, plainly indicate that probably a large proportion of those suffering from influenza were imprudent in exposing themselves in various ways, and thereby superinduced the progressive further steps in this disease, and ending in a fatal attack of pneumonia. Every one, therefore, suffering from symptoms of this disorder, however slight, should be rational enough to avoid all causes possibly tending to the development of more serious complications. The most important matter to be attended to, sick or well, is to keep the feet dry and warm; wear warm underclothing; don't get overheaded or fatigued or go fasting too long; keep the temperature of your houses or rooms at 55° to 72°, according to individual conditions. If taken sick, consult good physician without delay and take his advice."

The "grip" has taken a deep hold on the residents of the eastern and northeastern sections of the BALTIMORE HAS IT.

kept busy.

Reporters of The Sun interviewed physicians

Reporters of TRESUN interviewed physicians to-day with a view of finding out if there are any genuine cases of la grippe in this city.

Br. Alan P. Smith said: "I think I have three genuine cases of influenza, and they are very severe. The patients suffer from violent pain in the head, constriction about the chest, high temperature, aching nains through all the limbs, and great prostration."

Br. Christopher Johnston said: "I have three cases which I now regard as very suspicious."

Br. Claude Van Bibber said: "I believe that one out of every five people whom I meet on the street have the influenza, which shows its prevalence." prevalence."
Dr. George L. Winkins: "I have had one case that could be called la grippe. The patient was a gentleman who has considerable European correspondence, and lotten brought

European correspondence, and i- often brought in contact with foreigners arriving here."

Dr. Joseph Benzinger: "I have had about thirty cases of acute influenza and catarrh. The number is daily increasing."

The store of Hennegan, Bates & Co, has almost been depicted of its employees by the

Buiddeport, Dec. 29.—Influenza seems to be spreading in this city. Interviews with twenty physicians show that there are hundreds of cases, many of a mild form, but some that have already assumed a serious character. (o. W. H. Stevenson, manager of the Housafone system; ex-Mayor Fones; Charles Williams, Treasurer of the Adams Express Company; O. F. Smith, Secretary of the Smith & Egge Manufacturing Company, and Mr. Hobbs, superintendent of the Metallic Cartridge Company are among the victims. The Ray, Mr. Childs, pastor of the Congregational Church at Fairfield, was attacked during orayer at this morning's service. He was obliged to dismiss his congregation. A number of the employees at the Post Office and express company are afficied.

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CLEVELAND, Dec. 29.—Influenza is quite prevalent in Cleveland. Dr. Beckwith, a member of the State Board of Health, said there could be no doubt of the existence of many cases of the disease here, and he will so report to the Board. All classes of people seem to be affected, and some are compelled to take to their beds.

CINCINNAIT, Dec. 29.—The influenza has made its appearance in this city. Fully 500 cases have been reported here, but of a comparatively mild type.

TACOMA, Wash. Dec. 29.—The influenza has reached the northwest Pacific coast. Two cases of the real Russian malady have been discovered here to-day. A mild form is now quite general in this city. A waiter in a hotel was the first to be taken down.

CANAJOHARIE, Dec. 29.—"La grippe" has appeared in the Mohawk valley. At Fort Plain there are many cases including Judge Wendell, W. J. Arkell of Judge is one of the afflicted at Canajoharie.

MONTREAL. Dec. 29.—The influenza has struck Montreal in a mild form, and the doctors report many cases. Reports from Ottawa and other Canadian cities say influenza is very common.

A MINISTER GETS IT IN HIS PULPIT.
Out of fifty hands employed at one factory in Long Island Cit; thirty-two are said to have the grip. Dr. Nell O. Fitch of Astoria has just recovered from an attack. Health Officer Dr. W. Remsen Taylor has been iaid un for two days with it. Mayor Gleason, who was among the first in Long Island City to have it. took to his bed again yesterday. Assembly man-elect Henry C. Johnson has been laid up for more than a week. Thus far no fatal cases have been reported. The Rev. N. B. Randall of the East Avenue Baptist Church was taken suddenly ill with the grip while in the pulpit preaching yesterday morning. The services were brought to a close. A MINISTER GETS IT IN HIS PULPIT.

TWO WOMEN BAPTIZED IN THE BAY. Mrs. Freeman and Miss House Arise From the Cold Water and Sing.

Two middle-aged women were baptized in New York Bay at Greenville yesterday. They were Mrs. Freeman of this city and Miss Carry House of Middletown, N. Y. They were con-House of Middletown, N. Y. They were converts to the Faith Cure religion. Miss House said she had suffered for years with nervous prostration. Mrs. Freeman has been an attendant at the Faith Cure meetings in Greenville for a long time. She felt that the Lord wanted her to be haptized. The two women wore long black gowns. Brother Hannox walked out twenty feet, where the water came up to his waist, and they followed him. They folded their arms and he forced them backs ward under water and raised them said.

They did not seem to mind the cold. After the ceremony they marched back to the sanctuary in their dripping robes. They seemed to be very happy, and joined in the songs of their commanions.

Change of Time-Fast Trains to Pacific Coast.

ELEVEN PEOPLE BURNED TO DEATH. Terrible Tragedy in a Little Town After a Dancing Party.

HOUGHTON, Mich., Dec. 29,-On last Thursday a furious fire raged in the little mining town of Huron, destroying much property and burning three persons to death. There was an old people's dancing party in the village last night. Among those who attended the ball were Theodore Grass and his wife and daughter Katte. Nearly all the rest of the large famlly, including Lena Erb of Lake Linden, who was visiting the family, remained at the house, over the big mining store. Old man Theodore and his wife and daughter returned home at 2 o'clock this morning.

An hour later the son, Theodore, returned from his work at the Huron stamp mill. The young man had scarcely got into bed when he was aroused by screams from his sisters, who slept in an adjoining room. When he opened his door a cloud of smoke rolled into his chamber. Flames were rushing up the stairway, and, accompanied by his brother Nicholas, young Theodore burst the glass of a window and leaned out into the flerce blizzard which was raging at the time. Both men were terribly injured by their jump, but pluckly set at work to rescue the family. The flames burned too flercely, however, and in a half hour the building was in ruins. This morning the neighbors found eleven bodies in the ashes. They were those of old man Grass and his wife, and the children, Katie, John, Anton, Mary, Lizzie, Joseph, Michael, and Lens, and Lens Erb, the

The ghastly remains were taken to the fire engine house on a sled. The fire was undoubtedly caused by the explosion of a lamp.

EDWARD C. MOLLER KILLS HIMSELF. A Son of the Sugar Refiner Who Killed Himself Soven Years Ago.

Edward C. Moller, a wealthy Hoboken man, committed suicide last night by blowing out his brains with a revolver. He was a son of Christian Moller, the sugar refiner who committed suicide seven years ago. He was 30 years old, was married, and had two children. He lived with his family at his mother's house, 100 Hudson street, Hoboken.

About 11 o'clock last night his mother heard a pistol shot in an upstairs room. She ran up stairs and found her son on the hoor dead. A revolver was by his side. He had placed the muzzle in his mouth and fired.

Moller was a popular young man. He lived on the income of the fortune left by his father. Eight years ago his father started him in the horseshoe nail business. He lost \$75,000 in that in a short time, and it is said that it was on account of that loss that his father committed suicide. That was the last business that Moller was in. He had all the money that he needed, and so far as is known he had no reason to commit suicide. He was of a jovial disposition, and vesterday he showed no signs of despondency. It is supposed that he was temporarily insane.

## A COLD WAVE OUT WEST.

Trains Sattling With the Snow and a Blizzard Raging.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29 .- The first cold wave of the winter is reported from all parts of the West and Northwest. In Dakota, Wisconsin Minnesota, and Michigan a furious blizzard raged all day yesterday, piling the snow to great heights on the railroads and delaying trains. In Illinois and Iowa the cold wave came upon the heers of a thunder storm, the temperature dropping at some points 30° in three hours.

The storm in Chicago was accompanied by rain. The wind blew a hurricane all night destroying signs and chimneys and snapping hundreds of trees in the park. A heavy sea boomed on the shere all day, but it is not thought that any vessels were caught in the

One of the incidents of the storm in this city was the blowing away of nearly every newspaper left on the doorsteps by the carriers. Warmer weather is reported from the points where the present storm originated. hearmon's St. Louis, Dec. 29.—Unless between now and Wednesday next St. Louis shall have a blizzard of more than ordinary proportions. December must go on the record as the warmest December known in the history of the city. Not since becember, 1877, has St. Louis had anything approaching the midness of the

anything approaching the mildness of the present month.

St. Paul, Dec. 29.—Winter weather is reported as having set in generally throughout the Northwest. Beavy snow has fallen over a wide area, and trains will undoubtedly be delayed at many points. The gentle snowfall which reached the Twin Cities early yesterday evening strengthened into a gale later and raged furiously until morning. Late sleepers were awakened by the sounds of sleigh bells, and all day long both cities wore a gala appearance, clothed in glistening white under a cloudless sky.

A special from Huron, S. D., reports the near-est approach to a blizzard since the memorable 12th of January, 1887. Snow has drifted badly, All trains were held there last night and to-day, but all will go out on schedule time to-

### TURNS ON HIS ACCUSERS.

Dr. Watson of Glen Cove Sucs George T. Campbell for \$10,000 Damages. Dr. Henry B. Watson of Glen Cove has

egun suit in the Brooklyn Supreme Court against George T. Campbell of Gien Cove for \$10,000 damages for malicious prosecution. An order of arrest was served on Campbell Satur-day by Deputy Sheriff Louis Walters of Long Island City. He was taken before Justice Frost and released on \$1,000 bail. This proceeding is an outcome of two suits

against Dr. Watson, in which Campbell was

against Dr. Watson, in which Campbell was
the nominal complainant. Last September
Dr. Watson, who was at that time President of
the Glen Cove Board of Education, Treasurer of
St. Paul's parish, and a vestyman in the
church resigned these offices, disposed of his
household goods, and went to Europe. It is
alleged he told several persons that he never
intended to return to Glen Cove. Four days
before the election last November he went
back to Glen Cove and resumed his practice.
His vote was challenged on election day,
and he swore it in. He was arrested
shortly afterward, accused of filegal voting. Campbell's name appeared on
the warrant as complainant, aithough he
was not present at the trial. It was alleged
there were others behind Campbell. The
charkes were leased on the ground that Dr.
Watson in leaving Glen Cove and saying he
never intended to return had forfeited his residence and his right to vote. Buring the trial
before Justice Frost the prosecution said they
were prepared to show that Dr. Watson left
Glen Cove under circumstances that precluded
the probability of his ever returning, but the
Justice refused to admit the testimony. The
jury gave a verdict of nequital. The same
week Dr. Watson was arrested on a warrant
issued by Justice Steiner of Hicksville, accused of perjury, in swearing that he had a
residence in Glen tove at the time he swore
his vote in at the polls. Campbell appeared as
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tice Steinert dismissed the case. the nominal complainant. Last September

### Assassination in Atlanta.

ATLANTA, Dec. 29.-James F. Woodward died in Atlanta this evening. Thursday night Woodward, who is a well-known business man, was walking out Marietta street, when somewas waking out marietta street, when some-body steepped in front of him and asked if he was Jim Woodward, He answered in the affirm-ative, and the man pushed a pistol to Wood-ward's breast and fired. Woodward walked to his sister's house a mile or more away, and told the story as here given. He treated the matter lightly, and it was thought he would get well, but a relapse to-day brought death. The relice have kept the shooting as quiet as reashly, housing to eatch the servertator. possible, hoping to eatch the perpetrator.

### Making It Bot for the Rebels.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 29, via Galveston,-Telegrams from the republic of San Salvador received here to day size that the revolutionists in the Department of the attail are retreating before the Government troops sent against them, that the discrement forces are in bot pursuit, and that the revolution is of so imperience.

# BEDLOW'S ISLAND CAPTURED

A RED STEER ATTACKS BY WATER AND CARRIES THE PLACE.

Rally by Company B. Eleventh Infantry, and Repulse of the Invader After Several Cam-usities-Triumph of Uncle Sam's Army,

Lieut. Lewis and his company of the Eleventh Infantry, stationed on Bedlow's Island, had an exciting time on Saturday and a battle with an enemy who nearly drove them off the island. The enemy was a four-year-old red Texas steer with a nobby pair of horns that were worth more than all the muskets in the company when he used them at short range.

It hasn't been determined yet just where this red steer came from. Some say he foll overboard from the steamship Queen while a lot of his kind were being loaded in the stream, and others that he walked off a cattle lighter. Be that as it may. Mr. Steer was a good swimmer. and when he landed on the east side of the island on Saturday morning he just shook himself dry, nibbled a bit of grass for breakfast, and then started off at a brisk trot to explore Jersey's annex. One of the sentries on the rier saw him coming and gave the alarm. Lieut. Lewis mustered Company Band ordered them to capture the foe. Easier said than done, as they seen discovered. Before the boys could decide on a plan of action the gentleman from Texas, who had been regarding them with interest from an elevated position, made up his mind to attack. Lowering his head he exe-

terest from an elevated position, made up his mind to attack. Lowering his head he executed a double-quick flank movement and then charged the company. They all executed a lightning rear movement, except Private Jack Fellows, who said he wasn't afraid of any steer except a bunco steer. When the visitor from Texas lifted Private Fellows over his back and landed him on a gen carriage Private Fellows changed his opinion very rapidly.

The fun had only just begun. The steer galloped bellowing after the demoralized company and drove them across the island. After awhile Superintendent Littlefield of the electric light plant tried to corner the animal. He got tossed for his rains, and went limping back to his den. When the steer got tired and warm he went down to the river, shook the Bediow's Island dust from his tail, and set off te swim to Ellis Island, where the newder and dynamite is stored. Then there was a genuine scare, Private Rosch and Corporal Will Clark jumped into a boat and rowed after him. He swam so fast that they had all they could do to head him off in time to ston him from landing. Then he played tag with them and succeeded in landing on Bedlow's Island again before they did. Why somebody didn't shoot him nebody knows, and once more he was monarch of Liberty Island, a little wetter, but still full of fight. It was late in the afternoon before Christian Scripture, the soldier cowboy, succeeded in lassoing the animal. Even then it took lots of diplomacy to secure him where he would do no more harm, and Company B didn't quarrel to see who should stand sentinel over him.

How to get him off the island for good was the next thing. The Captain of the regular steamer said that steering was hard enough now, and that he didn't want a quartermaster with horns. Not until a cattle boat landed a load of steers on the pier yesterday morning could this one be persunded to leave the Island. He forgot himself while introductions were taking place, and he walked aboard the boat with the rest and was taken back to his

#### RUFUS FREEMAN ELOPES.

The Young Woman Leaves Him Because he Gets Arrested for Brunkenness,

After robbing his wife of \$1,300 on Friday, Rufus Freeman of 73 South Orange avenue, Newark, sloped with a young woman well known in that city. The pair came to this city, and yesterday Freeman got drunk, was arrested, and locked up in a police station. The

ed, and locked up in a police station. The story of the elopement became public when, on Saturday night, the young woman returned to Newark and handed to a lawyer a portion of the money which Freeman stole from his wife, with the request that it be returned to Mra. Freeman. The girl was heartly sorry for the elorement. She was unable to tell what disposition the New York police made of Freeman, as she feared arrest if she want to the station house.

Freeman was married several years ago, and he then deeded to his wife all the real estate he possessed. Their life was happy until a few months are. Then Freeman became reckless, lost considerable money in business, and, it was said, was giving considerable attention to the young woman with whom he finally eloped. On Friday before leaving Newark he induced his wife to convey a pleee of property to his brother-in-law for \$1.899 in cash and some notes. Aftershe had received the money he demanded it, and upon her refusal to surrender it to him, he atruck her several times, tore the money from her hands, and fied.

Jones's 80-Yeard-Old Bride, LAUREL, Del., Dec. 29 .- Goldsborough Jones, a youth, recently married Mary Simpers, aged 80, at Greenwood. They would not permit the ceremony to go on until the lights were dimmed, as they said the bride was timid.

A Violent Storm, Pollowed by Severe Cold. The storm that moved northeast from Colorado was central yesterday over Lake Michigan, and is probably the most severe storm that has crossed the lakes this year. The barometer has fallen very rapidly and registered 20,26 inches at Milwankee, and the gradient between the storm contre and the northwest is one of the steepest that has appeared for years, causing very severe and destructive winds in all the States from Colorado to the Atlantic. They were heaviest on the northwest quadrant. Through lows, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and over the lakes the wind varied between thirty and seventy miles an hone. sweeping down telegraph wires from Dakota castward. Reports from neveral places were not received by the signal service. The whole country is more or less under the influence of this storm. High on-shore winds prevali all along the Atlantic coast from Virginia to Maina. Snow was falling yesterday in the upper lakes the Northwestern States and Canada, and rain in the States

south and east of the lakes.

A decided cold wave is setting in behind the storm centre, and will reach into the Ohio valley and western New York by this morning, and the temperature there should drop about 80°. It will grow rapidly colder duging the day along the Atlantic coast, and a decided fall, which will take place by night, promises to be the coldest snap of the sesson.

Light rain or snow may fall this morning, but the day will be generally fair and colder, and the weather will remain fair and cold over New Year's Day. The thermemeter at Perry's pharmacy in Tax Son

building recorded the temperature yesterday as follows: 3 A. M., 59°; 6 A. M., 37°; 9 A. M., 40°; 12 M., 48°; 3:30 P. M., 50°; 6 P. M., 50°; 8 P. M., 52°; 12 midnight, 52°,

Average, 40°. Average on Dec. 20, 1888, 305g." nighal office Forscart till 8 r. s. mondat. For Maine, New Hampshire, Verment, Massachinsetti Bhode Island. Connecticut, clearing and fair; much colder; northwesterly winds [colder, fair on Tuesday; fair on Wednerday, with a cold wave, except in Maine. For eastern New York, eastern Pransylvania, and New Jersey, fair until Wednesday night; northwesterly winds; colder on Monday and Tuesday, with a cold wave

For the District of Columbia, Delaware, and Maryland, fair until Wednesday night; much colder; northwesterly winds, with a cold wave.

For western New York, western Pennsylvania, and
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#### northwesterly winds, with a gold wave. JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The steamship State of Georgia, while on her way downithe bay yesterday yan aground west of Governor's leiand. She came of in two hours and proceeded.

Warren L. Carre feel dead at 125th street and Third avenue at 7 5th ant night see he stepped off a cable car. He had an office at Walker street, and supplied towals to business offices. He had an other at 8 Walker street, and supplied towels to business offices.

Adolph Borer, a collector for the Rochester Brewing Company, was held in \$500 at Jaferson Market yesterday for misappropriating \$20 collected from a customer, Max lightman

Louise Yost, the 15-year-old girl who nearly died of inhaling was on Sunday, Dec 27, at 25; West Righteenth at street was discharged by Justice Gorman at Jefferson Market y-aterday.

Horse power took the niace of the cable in 125th atreet for several hours vesterday morning. The machinery at the depot has not been rounding quite as emos hly as it ought said the early bunday morning hours were chosen for repairs.

Miss Lizzie B Smith, the sister of the insane mail carrier who whiled his two little children decree it said that it was see and not simile a wise who attieded the called to see him at the Tombs after the result was known. Mrs Smith has made no attempt to see her husband.

Capt Hains of the Etraria reported yesterday that

Capt. Hains of the Etruria reported yesterday that the slip had encountered extremely rough weather on the passage from Queentown, among the passangers were sir sjencer at Join British Minister to Mexico, and Jions E. G. Carden, Consult to Mexico, and Mrs.

Carden.

Policeman Perkins heard a row in Clark's in Sixth avenue early yesisrday morning, and found deorge Frank'in is years old, of 47 Lexinston avenue and William Narkey aged 86 of 23 hostum street Brooklyn, pummeling each other in a dispute over a girl. He arrested the boy and man, and they were fixed side each at Jefferson Market Court.